# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS CENTRAL DIVISION

In re:	)	
JOSEPH P. SHAINE	)	CHAPTER 13
Debtor(s)	) )	CASE NO. 23-40650-EDK
BARBARA SENNETT, HANS WANGER AND J. DOE, a minor child,	)	
Plaintiffs v.	)	ADV. PROCEEDING NO. 23-04030
JOSEPH P. SHAINE	)	
Defendant	)	

## DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE TO COMPLAINT TO DETERMINE NON-DISCHARGEABILITY OF DEBT

#### **JURISDICATION AND VENUE**

- 1. Admits.
- 2. Admits.
- 3. Admits.
- 4. Admits.
- 5. Admits.
- 6. Admits.
- 7. Defendant neither admits nor denies.
- 8. Admits.

9.	No response required.
	Deny.
11.	Deny.
12.	Admit.
13.	Admit.
14.	Plaintiff is not conforming with the rules requires that statements of fact
	set forth in separate paragraphs and a summation of the relevant events in
	the civil complaint is not a proper pleading. Without waiving any rights
	and will respond to the summation.
15.	Defendant denies and states that Gifted Homeschoolers Program (GHF)
	was for homeschooling children. Gifted Conference Planners (GCP) was
	open to homeschoolers but was not explicitly for them.
16.	open to homeschoolers but was not explicitly for them.  Admits.
17.	Admits.
17. 18.	Admits. Admits
17. 18. 19.	Admits. Admits Denies.
17. 18. 19.	Admits. Admits Denies. Denies.
17. 18. 19. 20.	Admits  Admits  Denies.  Denies.  Denies. At no time was Lisa Fontaine-Rainen an employee of either GCP
17. 18. 19. 20.	Admits  Denies.  Denies.  Denies.  Denies. At no time was Lisa Fontaine-Rainen an employee of either GCP or the Debor/Defendant. She was an independent contractor.
17. 18. 19. 20.	Admits  Denies.  Denies.  Denies.  Denies. At no time was Lisa Fontaine-Rainen an employee of either GCP or the Debor/Defendant. She was an independent contractor.  Admits, though states that Lisa Fontaine-Rainen had previously been
17. 18. 19. 20. 21.	Admits  Denies.  Denies.  Denies.  Denies. At no time was Lisa Fontaine-Rainen an employee of either GCP or the Debor/Defendant. She was an independent contractor.  Admits, though states that Lisa Fontaine-Rainen had previously been licensed in MA to teach gifted students.

24. Defendant neither admits nor denies.

25. Denies.
26. Denies.
27. Denies.
28. Denies.
29. Defendant neither admits nor denies.
30. Denies.
31. Denies.
32. Denies.
33. Denies.
34. Denies.
35. Denies.
36. Denies and neither confirms nor denies with regard to Fontain-Rainen.
37. Denies.
38. Denies.
39. Denies.
40. Denies.
41. Defendant neither admits nor denies.
42. Admits.
43. Admits.
COUNT I
44. The Defendant repeats and reavers his responses to paragraphs one
through 43 of the Complaint.
45. Denies.

46.	Denies.

- 47. Denies.
- 48. Denies.

## COUNT II DETERMINATION OF NON-DISCHARGEABILITY PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §1328(1)(4)

- 49. The Defendant repeats and reavers his responses to paragraphs one through 48 of the Complaint.
- 50. Denies.
- 51. Denies.
- 52. Denies.

# COUNT III DETERMINATION OF NON-DISCHARGEABILITY PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(2)(A)

- 53. The Defendant repeats and reavers his responses to paragraphs one through 52 of the Complaint.
- 54. Denies.
- 55. Denies.
- 56. Denies.
- 57. Defendant is without sufficient information to admit or deny, therefore, denies.
- 58. Defendant neither confirms nor denies and reiterates that Fontaine-Rainen was not his employee.
- 59. Denies.

#### **COUNT IV**

### RELIEF FROM AUTOMATIC STAY AND CO-DEBTOR STAY PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §§362(D)(1) AND 1301

- 60. Admits.
- 61. Defendant neither admits nor denies.
- 62. Denies and further states that FRCP Rule 7001 prohibits the request for relief.

### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

- 1. Accord.
- 2. Satisfaction.
- 3. Assumption of Risk.
- 4. Duress.
- 5. Estoppel.
- 6. Illegality.
- 7. Latches
- 8. Release
- 9. Waiver
- 10. Statute of limitations.

WHEREFORE, Defendant demands a jury trial.

Joseph P. Shaine by his attorney,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Carl D. Aframe, do hereby certify that upon receipt of the notice of electronic service, I served a copy of the within document by mailing same to any of the parties below who are not deemed to have consented to electronic notice or service under EFR 9.

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